

Lesson 11: The Disciples of Christ

Scripture Memory – John 1:13-14

Scripture Verse

10 He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. 11 He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. 12 Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— 13 children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God. 14 The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth John 1:10-14

Target Truths

- A disciple is one who is both a learner and a follower of another
- Christ called 12 disciples to follow Him and learn from Him so that they could continue His work when He was gone.
- Christ called common, ordinary people as His disciples.

Vocabulary

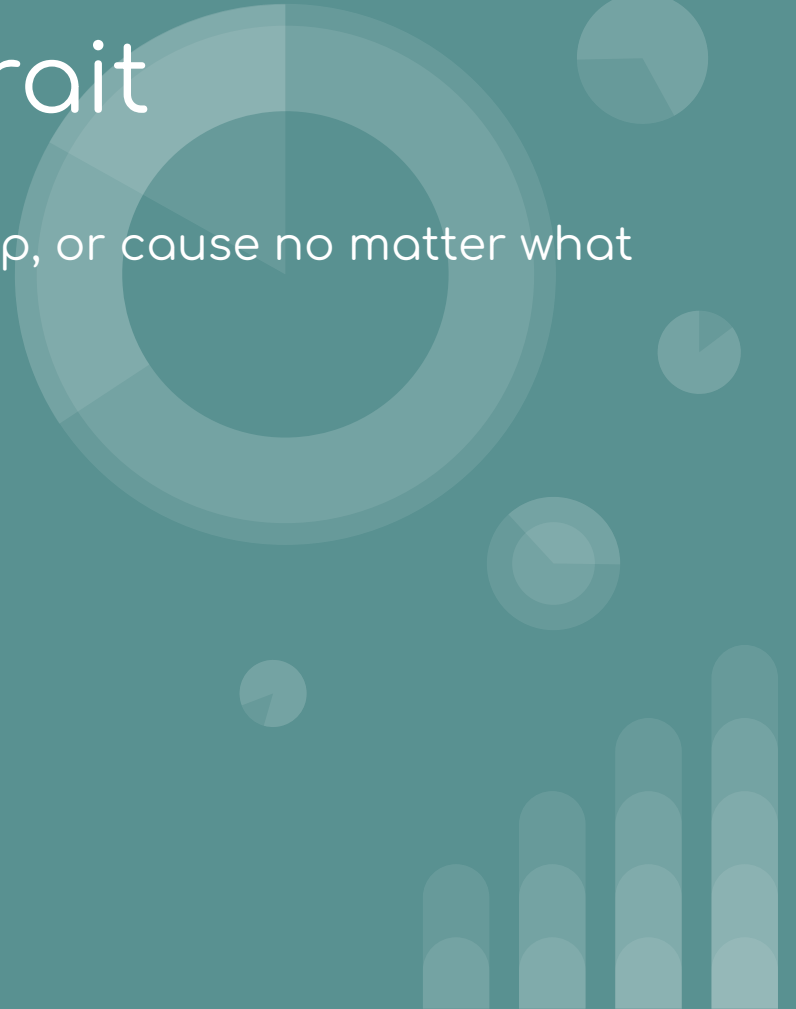
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Character Trait

Loyalty: Total commitment to a person, group, or cause no matter what the consequences



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By reading God's Word and listening closely when its is being taught

What is a Disciple?



The power to accomplish these things did not come from the twelve men themselves. Where did they receive this power? From God



What do you think God's purpose was when He had the disciples perform these acts?

The Twelve Disciples

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The Twelve Disciples



The twelve men that were chosen by Jesus Christ to be His first disciples were really no different from you. There were common people such as fishermen and workers. One was a tax collector.

Matthew 10:2-4 tells about the twelve original disciples that Jesus Christ called to follow Him.

The Twelve Disciples

1. Simon (Peter)	7. Thomas
2. Andrew	8. Matthew
3. James (son of Zebedee)	9. James (son of Alphaeus)
4. John	10. Thaddaeus
5. Philip	11. Simon (the Zealot)
6. Bartholomew	12. Judas Iscariot

The Twelve Disciples

Corinthians 1:26-29 tells us the kind of person Christ calls to become His disciples or followers..



Jesus call ordinary, common people who are willing to surrender to Him, not many wise, influential or of noble birth.

Disciples Must Be Learners

Matthew 14:22-33



What was the problem the disciples had when they were in the ship? They were in the middle of a great storm.



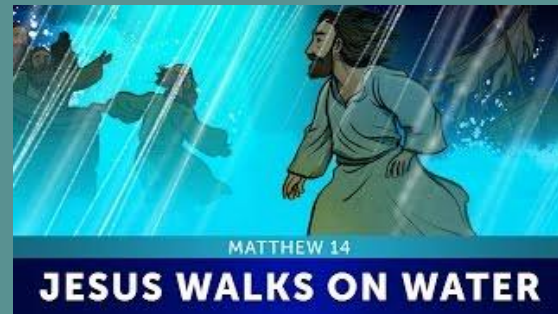
Who did the disciples think Christ was when they saw Him walking on the sea? A ghost



How did they feel? Terrified and afraid



Does this show faith or lack of faith? This shows lack of faith.



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Disciples Must Be Learners

Matthew 14:22-23



What did Peter do at first that showed he had faith in Christ? He walked on the water toward Christ.



Then what happened that showed his faith was not very strong? HE was afraid and began to sink.



What did Peter cry out to Christ? Lord save me



As soon as Jesus heard this cry what was His response? He held out His hand and caught him to keep him from sinking.

Review

1. Two words that describe the meaning of a disciple are
 - a. Learner
 - b. follower
2. Christ called twelve disciples to be with Him during His ministry and learn His teachings.
3. Christ gave His disciples different power. He gave them the power to preach, the power to heal the sick, and the power to cast out demons.
4. The disciples were common ordinary men. They were fishermen, workers, and one was even a tax collector.
5. In Matt. 14:22-33 Peter learns to have faith in Christ.
6. Peter cried out to the Lord to save him.
7. Peter was the disciple that denied Him three times before His crucifixion.
8. Judas was the disciple that eventually betrayed Jesus.